

Congratulations, my friend.  
Felicidades, mi amiga.

#### BRING AMERICA TO 100 PERCENT RENEWABLE ENERGY BY 2050

(Ms. JAYAPAL asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. JAYAPAL. Mr. Speaker, to quote Ronald Reagan: "Preservation of our environment is not a liberal or conservative challenge; it's common sense." Yet, this week, my Republican colleagues continued the trend of pushing through bills that deeply undermine critical environmental protections.

H.R. 806, the "Smoggy Skies Act," is an attack on the Clean Air Act that will lift protections against harmful pollutants that put the health of our communities at risk. Republicans also made it clear that they are prioritizing dangerous pipelines while shirking environmental review processes.

But despite their efforts, we are looking ahead and putting forward a bold vision for protecting our environment and our economic future. I am proud to introduce, with Congressmen POLIS, GRIJALVA, and HUFFMAN, the 100 by '50 Act, which aims to bring the United States to 100 percent renewable energy by 2050.

Climate change is the biggest threat to our planet, our economy, our children, and our communities, and our bill lays out a bold roadmap for ensuring that we transition to a clean and renewable energy economy while prioritizing good jobs for workers and investments in our communities.

This is the time to be bold.

#### HONORING HABITAT FOR HUMANITY OF BUCKS COUNTY

(Mr. FITZPATRICK asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. FITZPATRICK. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor Habitat for Humanity of Bucks County, which is an organization dedicated to eliminating substandard housing, locally and worldwide, through constructing, rehabilitating, and preserving homes.

This global, nonprofit housing organization, with a local chapter in my district, operates on the principles that seek to put God's love into action. Habitat for Humanity of Bucks County advocates for fair and just housing policies that provide training and access to resources to help families improve their living conditions.

The Bucks County chapter of Habitat for Humanity is a motivated team, driven towards service, where they build communities and empower families. I am grateful for the work of Executive Director Florence Kawoczka, Laura Blair, B.J. Breish, Colleen Brink, Stefanie Clark, Candace Clarke, Mike Fallon, Susan Harrity, Josh

Hilliker, Theresa Leonard, Sam Martin, Tracy Mulvaney, Karen Reeve, and all of the associates and volunteers who make this organization possible.

Mr. Speaker, I am proud to work with the Bucks County Habitat for Humanity, driven by the conviction that every man, every woman, and every child should have a simple, durable place to live in dignity and safety, and that decent shelter and decent community should be a matter of conscience for all of us.

#### PROVIDE PROTECTION FOR UNDOCUMENTED FARMWORKERS

(Mr. PANETTA asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. PANETTA. Mr. Speaker, I represent the central coast of California, known to many of my colleagues as the salad bowl of the world. It is where agriculture is the number one industry, and it is where the farm labor movement was partially founded.

Now, as many Republicans and Democrats know, in agriculture, undocumented farmworkers do a majority of the labor-intensive work needed to put food on our dinner tables. That is why I am a cosponsor of H.R. 2690, the Agricultural Worker Program Act, also known as the "Blue Card" bill.

This bill would provide a majority of our farmworkers with a path to legal permanent residence. Now, it doesn't allow people to jump the line. It doesn't just give them benefits. In fact, there are certain obligations that they must undertake in order to receive those benefits. They have to work in agriculture for at least 100 days, and then they have to commit to working in agriculture for 100 days over the next 5 years.

Our farmworkers, whom we employ and critically need, are now living in the shadows for fear of deportation. This bill would provide legal protections for our farmworkers to ensure a better future for their families, our farms, and our communities.

While it is my hope that this bill would again be incorporated into a larger comprehensive package negotiated by Republicans and Democrats, just like it was in 2013 when Congress nearly passed comprehensive immigration reform, the people who help feed our families deserve this opportunity, and that is why I support it.

#### "MADE IN AMERICA" WEEK

(Mr. WESTERMAN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. WESTERMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to show my support for the "Made in America" Week initiative. It is an initiative to highlight the contributions of American workers and job creators.

Made in America brings to mind a combination of the American spirit of

innovation and perseverance that is required to turn raw materials into manufactured goods.

I am proud of the contributions that my home State of Arkansas makes to the American economy. In Arkansas, 13 percent of the State's workforce is employed in the manufacturing industry, which is the second highest percentage in the South and the third highest percentage in the Nation. Twenty-eight percent of those jobs in Arkansas are in the Fourth District.

In 2016, manufacturers contributed \$2.2 trillion to the American economy. For every dollar spent in manufacturing, an additional \$1.80 is added to another part of the economy.

With abundant resources, a strong infrastructure, and a second-to-none work ethic, Arkansas is working to train the next generation of technicians and visionaries so that manufacturing can expand, promoting better careers, stronger families, and thriving communities.

#### THANKING UNSUNG HEROES IN WAKE OF ILLINOIS FLOODING

(Mr. SCHNEIDER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. SCHNEIDER. Mr. Speaker, this week, torrential rains caused record flooding in many parts of Illinois, and, in particular, in my district. I had the chance to visit some of the affected areas over the weekend, joined by my colleagues from Illinois, Mr. HULTGREN and Mr. ROSKAM, as well as Senator DURBIN, Fox Lake Mayor Donny Schmit, and Lake County Chair Aaron Lawlor. We spoke with residents and saw firsthand some of the many challenges these communities are facing.

I rise today, however, to recognize the many unsung heroes who have stepped up to help their neighbors, and often helped total strangers, in the wake of this disaster. This includes our first responders, dedicated government workers, and volunteers, many coming from towns far away and unaffected by the floods.

As the rains fell and then in the days after, these people worked tirelessly around the clock to lend a hand and try to hold off the rising waters. We are not out of the woods yet, and the people who serve our communities day in and day out in our local governments, our police and fire departments, and our emergency agencies are continuing to work with professionalism and quick coordination.

Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to use my time today to say "thank you" to these people working behind the scenes without due recognition. They represent the very best of our communities and our Nation and make us all very proud.